



THE MAIN SHEET

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Photo – Courtesy of Tim Stubbs

Message from the Commodore – Pat McDonald:

Well, now that we are firmly in July, we can probably all agree how the weather hasn't been perfect, BUT what does that matter to a sailor? Nada! Rain, snow, sun- we sailors will take it all just as long as we can be on the water in our boats!

So far, the 2022 season for all SBYC members has been off to a GREAT start! There have been some great sailing / racing opportunities with much more to come. The onshore events have been a ton of fun and last Saturday's BIG O just showed the fantastic culture this club has. And that culture is our "magic"! When a group of people share a common interest and work together to make that common interest a focal point that always leads to success.

I mentioned in the April addition of the Main Sheet that this club functions at it's best with volunteers and we are so grateful for all of you and your efforts. It's great to see how we do all come together to make this club as great as it is. Our hats off to all the volunteers who put in the time and efforts to make these events work.

Get ready for a lot more summer fun!



Message from the SBYC Board Secretary – Marvin Abugov

New SBYC Share Requirements

At its June 14, 2022, meeting, the Board voted unanimously to require that the following three features be incorporated onto each member share certificate whether past, present or into the future:

- (1) Signed by the Commodore (of the day).
- (2) Signed by the Secretary (of the day).
- (3) With the club's manual embossing stamp affixed overtop the graphic seal as depicted on the share certificate.

Please locate and examine your SBYC Share Certificate to determine whether your share has these three critical features. The importance of this matter will occur when you decide to leave the club. At that time, you will be asked by the club's Membership Director to return your SBYC Share Certificate to be eligible for your SHARE RETURN minus an SBYC Administration Fee.

In the event you find that your share certificate is deficient of any item as noted above, or if you misplaced it, the Board will provide you with a replacement share at no cost.

Please contact: secretary@sunshinebay.org (Marvin Abugov) to register your need for a replacement share. He will work with the Membership Director (Tim Stubbs) who will prepare your new share and then remit it back to the Commodore and Secretary so that it can be signed and stamped. Your new share will then be redistributed to you by the Membership Director.

Office of The Environment - <https://www.sunshinebay.org/environment>

Aquatic Vegetation and Lake Health - submitted by Sue Styles



The shoreline (riparian and littoral zones) of much of Sunshine Bay is naturalized, beautiful and functions to protect the health of Wabamun Lake.

The following is an excerpt from [Respect our Lakes: Aquatic Vegetation and Lake Health](#) (Gov. of Alberta, 2015).

“Aquatic plants along lake shorelines are important for maintaining healthy lake ecosystems. They provide habitat for fish spawning, nesting for waterfowl and shorebirds, rearing sites for young fish and wildlife, and they protect shorelines from wave and wind erosion. Aquatic vegetation also performs many important biological functions that maintain lake water quality, such as filtering runoff water that enters the lake.



Lakeshore residents [and recreational lake users] may wish to remove aquatic vegetation to make it easier to put in docks and piers, or to improve swimming and boating conditions. Some people think that removing aquatic plants helps to 'clean-up' the lake, however this is not true. Lakes that have lost significant aquatic vegetation are especially vulnerable to water quality problems including blue-green algal (cyanobacteria) blooms due to excess nutrient availability. Maintaining a natural shoreline with abundant native aquatic vegetation species is one of the best ways to ensure a healthy lake environment for everyone to enjoy”.

Due to the important functions of aquatic vegetation, under the Alberta Public Lands Act and the Water Act, removing any aquatic vegetation requires approval by Alberta Environment and Parks (AEP). Annually, SBYC obtains AEP approval for cutting of aquatic vegetation at Dock A and B only as needed and with specific guidelines/parameters for the purpose of easing waterway passage for sailboats.

At SBYC, let’s continue to allow the shoreline and aquatic vegetation to be naturalized and enjoy the protection, biodiversity and ease of care that this state offers.

On Shore and On Water Events

The Big O (July 9) was a fabulous event and a great time was had by all

We celebrated:

Danny Meade – 30 Donna Donnelly – 50 Susan Smith – 60 John Semple - 70
Bonnie Reib – 70 Lynn Skillen – 80 Jim Humphries – 80



With the help of the onshore crew (Kate, Bonnie, Amanda, Deneen, Lee, Ralph, Sue, Susan) we had amazing decorations, fabulous snacks and awesome music! Special thanks to Donna and Heather for their magic margaritas !!

Watch for upcoming information on Pirate Days and other onshore events.

If you’d like to help, please send me a note onshoreevents@sunshinebay.org

Cheers Nicole



Upcoming Events - go to www.sunshinebay.org for most recent posts

The SBYC Summer General Meeting is Sunday July 24th, please plan to attend to hear the latest plans and get an opportunity to have input regarding the future of your club

JULY 2022				
Wed 20	Pursuit Series Race #6	1900	Fleet Captain	EYC
Sun 24	Summer General Meeting (SBYC club)	1100	Secretary	SBYC
Wed 27	Pursuit Series Race #7	1900	Fleet Captain	EYC
Sat 30 & Sun 31	Pirate Days, EYC Sail Past Onshore Miscellaneous events	TBD	Fleet Captain / Onshore Events	SBYC
AUGUST 2022				
August 1 - Heritage Day				
Wed 03	Pursuit Series Race #8	1900	Fleet Captain	EYC
Sat 06	Jack & Jill Races	1000	Fleet Captain	SBYC
Tues 09	SBYC Board meeting	1000	Secretary	SBYC
Wed 10	Pursuit Series Race #9	1900	Fleet Captain	EYC
Sat 13	Surf and Turf	TBD	Fleet Captain / Onshore Events	SBYC
Wed 17	Pursuit Series Race #10	1900	Fleet Captain	EYC
Sat 20-Sun 21	Splice the Main Race Day 1 & 2	TBA	Fleet Captain	EYC



SBYC Racing – Wednesday Night Pursuit Racing



Come out and test your boating skills and have some mid-week fun by participating in the Wednesday night Pursuit Races – for more information please contact Bonnie Reib - fleetcaptain@sunshinebay.org

Looking forward to seeing you on the water!

This and That:

Canada Summer Games Athletes hosted by SBYC



5 Alberta sailing athletes attending the Canada Summer Games (Niagara August 16th – 21st) were invited to an SBYC experience.

There were great interactions between the athletes and our members 7 skippers volunteered to take out 5 athletes, a coach and one parent. A racecourse was set up and the games were on.

Following was a hot dog BBQ provided by ASA and supplemented by “Big O” leftovers.

Thanks to Carol, Deneen and Onshore for helping make food available.

For more information, please go to our website – Noticeboard

Follow them on Alberta Sailing on Facebook and Instagram.

Sailing Education

It is hoped that Lawrence Lemieux (SBYC Honorary member and Olympic sailing coach) will be available August 27th to spend time at SBYC and share his knowledge and skills on how to get the most for your boat



[Parkland County Boat Launch – Update](#)



Groundwork has begun on the new Parkland County Boat Launch on the south side of the lake (near Sundance Power plant) For more information see link below

<https://www.parklandcounty.com/en/live-and-play/wabamun-lake-boat-access.aspx>

[Boston Whaler – New Outboard Motor](#)

Some of you may have noticed a “shiny new engine” on the back of the whaler – Thanks to Dan Meade for researching and presenting recommendations to SBYC Fleet and the SBYC board for this purchase



For more details about this visit our SBYC website – Members Page



SBYC first “Affiliate” Member

Many of you may have already met, Doreen Forbes-Monnette, who was unanimously voted in as our first SBYC “Affiliate” member at our Board meeting last Tuesday – welcome to SBYC

I have since received a second application, so if you have “crew” or know people that may be interested in this new entry level membership and its benefits to them, please have them reach out to me

Helping Hands

Chris Timmons, assisted by Robin Cameron and Jeff Foster help John Stobbe with his rigging



If you need assistance with anything, just ask one of the other members, they will surely try to help if they can, or point you in the right direction if they can't

Boats, Sunset, Cameras and Action

SBYC A dock became a movie set Sunday evening for a local company filming a commercial. The weather co-operated and everything went well, thanks to Nicole for organizing, Dan Meade for making his slip available, Dave Donnelly for security, and Erik Morrison (goodmorning.com) for their donation to the club's general coffers for the use of our facilities.



If you would like to contribute to the newsletter, or have feedback, please send to membership@sunshinebay.org



Tim Stubbs